

HARDING PUTS CONSTITUTION AHEAD OF LEAGUE COVENANT

To Follow Wilson, He Says, Would Be to Desert the Teachings of Washington—Says the Constitution and the Covenant Are "Irreconcilable" Because One Authorizes Congress to Decide Questions of Peace or War, While the Other Would Transfer That Prerogative to the League—Attacked Administration's Policy Toward the Smaller American Republics.

Marion, Ohio, Sept. 17.—Again assailing the Versailles league of nations, Senator Harding declared in an address here today that the paramount issue of the election was whether the nation would choose to stand by the terms of the Constitution or abandon it for the league covenant.

The Constitution and the covenant, he asserted, are "irreconcilable" and that no one authorities congress to decide questions of peace or war, while the other would transfer that prerogative to the league of nations, Mr. Harding said.

"It is the duty of the American people," he would be to desert the teachings of Washington.

The largest front porch audience addressed by the republican nominee, during his campaign here, was present and gave the speaker a prolonged demonstration when, in conclusion, he repeated solemnly the presidential oath to

situation." It was "only by 'being true to itself,' said the candidate, and by serving the purposes for which it came into being that the United States could bring the part of the world. Senator Harding also attacked the administration's policy toward the smaller American republics and declared the executive had overridden the Constitution by taking the high seas as a pretext to make war on Hayti and San Domingo. He reviewed the circumstances surrounding the making of the Constitution and outlined his conception of the balanced powers of the executive, legislative and judicial branches of government. Only by preserving that balance, he said, could the United States fulfill its greatest destiny.

"The Constitution never had failed America in the past," and despite heedless assertions to the contrary, America never has failed the world, and now as never before, she stands ready, and let us hope, soon will be in a position, in such circumstances, to lend all branches of our government, to lend helping hand, but she herself must point the way.

"How can we, then, in reason and with confidence make sure of fulfilling this our one and only duty?" he explained. We must strictly maintain and scrupulously observe, in letter and in

ANTI-SALOON LEX DISCUS WORLD-WIDE PROHIBITION

Washington, Sept. 17.—World-wide prohibition was discussed today at the convence here of Anti-Saloon league members from all over the world. A map out the league's international group.

Those participating in the conference were told yesterday by Prohibition commissioner Kramer that the nation's

"To the best of my information this is the first official admission of my presence at the first meeting of the Oyster Openers Association," said Daniels.

"The league charged in a statement that I was part of a vast and vicious conspiracy to discredit ultimately overthrow prohibition."

**OYSTER OPENERS ARE
TO FORM A UNION**

administration. To my mind, moreover, it is the most shocking assertion that ever emanated from a responsible member of the government of the United States.

"True, we know little of the conduct of these wars of 'occupation' and the imposition of laws upon our subjects. The censorship is no less strict than it was during the secret conferences and conspiracies in Paris. Practically all we know now is that thousands of our gallant men have sacrificed their lives at the behest of an executive department in order to maintain the status quo. The assistant secretary of the navy, to secure a vote in the league and to continue at the point of the bayonet a military domination which at this moment requires the presence of 130,000 of our armed men on

South Norwalk, Conn., Sept. 10.—Open operators who have organized a "fisher" here, have served notice on the companies of their intention to form a union. Demanded an increase of fifteen cents a gallon, they are now citing the companies—have been presented. In the ure of the companies to meet the demands, the great has been made a strike will be called. The oil plants are affected, and about 10,000 openers are employed here.

A violinist works a bow—and girls do likewise, and they spell it ferently.

Don't imagine that it is possible to give a look unbecoming the time she wears an engagement ring.

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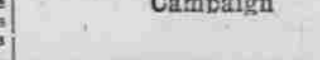
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"Vastly more important and far more menacing to our own popular institutions than even this distressing example is the proposal to transfer by indication, the chief prerogative of one department of the government to another. As all are well aware, the Constitution vests in congress, exclusively the power to declare war, but it also declares that any duly executed treaty 'shall be the supreme law of the land.'

"Under Article X of the Versailles peace treaty, signed at this date, Germany is subjected to a mili-

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Campaign



ern referendum, it would be the ap-
pointee and representative of the presi-
dent, not of congress nor of the people,
who would either acquiesce in or reject
a proposition in the council of the league
to uphold by force of arms the cause of
one power against another.

"The Constitution of the covenant—
that, my countrymen, is the paramount
issue. The two are irreconcilable. We
cannot be governed from both Geneva
and Washington. We cannot follow our
present chief magistrate without for-
saking the father of our country. We

cannot pin our faith to hazy visions of the future without putting out of mind the stern realities of the past."

**ROOSEVELT DENIES
STATEMENTS OUTQED**

Hartford, Conn., Sept. 17.—Franklin D. Roosevelt, when shown that portion of Senator Harding's speech at Marion today in which the republican candidate denounced The alleged rape of Haiti and San Domingo and which said Ward

recently admitted and boasted by Franklin D. Roosevelt, prepared a statement denying Sen. Charles McNary's charges. Mr. Roosevelt's statement follows:

"When the Marion speech today was made, I immediately sent to Senator Harding at Marion the following telegram:

"I regret to me in today's speech you have stated about the votes in the league of nations, Haiti and San Domingo. I was Kentucky's manager of President Wilson's campaign for re-election."

all the leading newspapers. I cannot 1916.